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Libby Lab Team Conference Call
March 12, 2002

Attending:

Mark Raney (Volpe)
Anni Autio (CDM)
Mary Goldade (EPA)
Charlie (EMSL)
Ron Mahoney (EMSL)
Jeanne Orr (Reservoirs)

Ron:

Unsure of SEM SOP Status. Will let us know today.

Mary:

Will check w/ USGS about PE sample status.

Ron (regarding Chris' request to investigate removal of slip covers from archived PLM slides)

The adhesives can be removed, but the cover cannot be removed w/o disturbing fibers. Distribution will be horribly skewed... Only other idea, we could subsample the filter by scribing the cover slip and performing a transfer onto a new filter, keeping ½ the slide intact.

Anni:

Closer to getting Hygia on boardCannot send new work to them only backlog work. 1-2 weeks before papers are signed..then we'll have to get them up to speed. Jeannie will help w/ that by performing a "PE study". Anni will talk off line w/ Jeanie how to bring the lab up to speed.

Drafting new mobile lab contract.

My impressions/input based on info to date:

1. I asked Mark to lean heavily on EMSL on SEM SOP. He'll have it COB today.
2. Jim, I need to discuss w/ you about the need for documenting training new labs to read Libby amphibole. CDM, Inc. is about to bring on Hygia and has a good idea of how to go about training. I think you'll want that process documented...it doesn't have to be a drawn out process. Steps/components may include: identification/counting of Libby amphibole, sample verification, data entry/ reporting process. We should bring this up on Thursday w/ John McGuiggin.

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3. USGS has not yet received the Libby soils for use in continuing development of their SEM SOP. I left a voice msg. w/ John McGuiggin to either let me know or put me in touch w/ someone knows that status of the soils to be delivered to the USGS.